

BookBinding II Class

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Class Notes

These are notes to help you remember the steps after you leave class. Class will include demos and hands on activities that will illuminate these notes.

1) Tighten the stitching

- First make sure that you actually have loose stitching and not a broken stitch.
- Once you have checked this you may take a needle and your thread and slide the needle between the signatures and the sewing of at least 5 signatures and tie a knot.
- This will simply gather the threads and cause a tightening of the threads.

2) Reattach signature

- This is mainly for those signatures that have had the sewing break.
- You need to make sure that the rest of the signatures are securely tied in.
- Tie off the loose ends.
- Tie onto the Signature next to your broken signature.
- Then insert into the broken signature.
- Go along the inside and out the other side.
- Once out you will attach to the signature on the other side of where you started.
- Remember to attach to both signatures on either side of your broken signature.

3) Reattach covers

- There are two ways to reattach covers.
- The first way was discussed in the Bookbinding I class.
- If the cover and the signatures have broken then we must reattach the signatures to the cover.
- This is done with two tapes, one at the top and one at the bottom.
- Carefully lift the cover material from the cover and put the glue covered tape on the boards.
- Then we carefully apply glue to the tape and apply it to the spine.
- In closing the book we will seal the positions.
- Make sure that you remembered to re-glue the cover material to the cover.

4) Inlaying the cover

- This can be used when you add corners or when you add a new spine.
- You want to shave the cover so that the new material when added will line up at the same level as the other book cover material.
- It should fit snugly.